

Dec. 14 1943

Mr E. B. Rea
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Dear Mr Rea:

I am in receipt of your letter of Dec. 10th, in which you ask me what my reaction would be to the acceptance of qualified Colored players into the framework of organized baseball, and how it would effect the setup of Colored organized baseball.

I appreciate your letter very much, as it affords me an opportunity to ask some questions of someone whom I assume is fully informed about the matter. First of all I have formed no opinion until now, as I have no idea what the plan is. Does it call for the present organized Negro baseball to act as farm teams for the white major leagues, or would it mean the white leagues would scout their own Negro talent, and send them to their already established farms for training. The answer to this question will go a long way toward helping me to answer yours.

Almost all the capital invested in Negro Baseball has been invested by Negroes. It has been an uphill struggle to build it up to the status it now enjoys. Needless to say its future is important to most of the race.

I will be glad to discuss the matter further with you. Thank you for your interest.

Very Truly Yours